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TO:	Mayor & Council	DATE:	June 5, 2002
FROM:	General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture	FILE:	0523-720-03
SUBJECT:	Award of Artificial Turf Design-Build Contract		

RECOMMENDATION

That the *Artificial Turf Design-Build Contract* be awarded to Specialty Surfaces International Inc. in the amount of \$ 502,527.56 including optional work for additional field lining plus \$ 35,176.93 GST for a total contract price of **\$537,704.48**.

BACKGROUND

The Artificial Turf capital project was approved by Council for completion in 2002. Based on a rigorous site selection process, the artificial turf field will be installed at Newton Athletic Park. This portion of the project includes all design-build work associated with the artificial turf carpet. These works include approval of the base, supply and installation of an infill artificial turf carpet, lining of the field and the preparation of the final product for use by the City of Surrey. Proposals were received Friday May 24, 2002 as a result of a public request for proposals (RFP) process.

DISCUSSION

Seven proposals from five different suppliers were received and evaluated on the basis of corporate performance, financial proposal, and technical specifications. The criteria included areas such as the overall density of fibres, infill material used, impact attenuation ratio, uniformity of product density after installation, user group's performance expectations and preferences, and maintenance/operating requirements of the final product. Based on an exacting review of the proposals, three proposals were disqualified because they did not meet the minimum requirements stipulated in the RFP. The remaining proposals from Specialty Surfaces International Inc, Field Turf Inc. and Gym-Con Limited were then ranked against a predetermined scale.

Based on this ranking, the recommended product is *Sprinturf*, a type of artificial field supplied by Specialty Surfaces

International Inc. and their local representative. The experience, availability, and references for the Project Manager and Site Superintendent were also evaluated and taken into consideration.

It is intended that this portion of the Artificial Turf capital project commence immediately upon Award of Contract. The RFP document requires the supplier to be involved in all aspects of the project and commence within 5 days of the award. The prices are within the total project budget for the Newton Athletic Park Artificial Turf Project.

CONCLUSION

Based on the selection criteria, the recommended artificial turf product is Sprinturf. The recommended design-build installer is Specialty Surfaces International Inc., for a total contract price of \$537,704.48.

It should be noted that Surrey user groups who have played on a *Sprinturf* field in Richmond are delighted with the field characteristics.

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and Culture